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## STATE OF VERMONT **GENERAL ASSEMBLY** HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Representative Alice Emmons, Chair, House Committee on Corrections &

**Institutions** 

Representative Kitty Toll, Chair, House Committee on Appropriations 1/2 From:

January 13, 2017 Date:

Subject: Provisions in the Governor's Proposed FY 2017 Budget Adjustment

The House Appropriations Committee has started work on the Governor's proposed FY 2017 Budget Adjustment bill and would like to inform you of an additional language proposal related to appropriations from the Department of Corrections in section 73.

The House Appropriations Committee welcomes and appreciates your input and would like to give you the opportunity to comment on the proposal; however, it is not necessary to respond to the proposal unless you have concerns or recommendations. If you do not wish to comment on the issue sent to your committee, please send a quick e-mail or note to the Committee through Theresa Utton-Jerman at tutton@leg.state.vt.us. If you would like to respond it would be helpful if you could do so by the end of the day on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

The House Appropriations Committee budget reporter for this subject area is Representative Hooper. Please let us know your committees budget liaison for coordination and communications between the two committees.

## **Language Sections:**

Sec. 73. 32 V.S.A. § 308b is amended to read:

- (a) There is created within the General Fund a Human Services Caseload Management Reserve. Expenditures from the Reserve shall be subject to an appropriation by the General Assembly or approval by the Emergency Board. Expenditures from the Reserve shall be limited to Agency of Human Services caseload-related needs primarily in the Departments for Children and Families; of Health; of Mental Health; of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living; of Corrections and of Vermont Health Access.
- (b) The Secretary of Administration may transfer to the Human Services Caseload Reserve any General Fund carry-forward directly attributable to Agency of Human Services Aid to Needy

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Families with Children (ANFC) caseload reductions or savings and the effective management of related federal receipts.

EXPLANATION: Update to the Human Service Caseload Reserve Language to include all programs and agencies in the Agency of Human Services. Note: this section has also been sent to the House Committee on Human Services.

Thank you for your review and consideration.